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SALUTATION FROM PRESIDENT PALLETTE

To the Members of the California Medical Association and their friends, your Officers and Committee Members extend a cordial greeting.

We are most fortunate this year that the Association is holding its sixty-sixth annual meeting in one of the most delightful places in all America. Monterey, this first capital city of California, with its surroundings, constitutes a spot unsurpassed in all the world for scenic beauty, historic interest and facilities for hospitality.

Monterey is the very cradle of Californian history. Viscaino landed here in 1602 and took possession in the name of the King of Spain. In 1821, Monterey became the capital of the Mexican Province of California. The first Constitution of the American State of California was framed here in the first capitol, Colton Hall, still standing, in September, 1849. Other historic buildings still to be seen here are the house of Governor Alvarado, the Presidio chapel, General Sherman's headquarters, the Larkin House, Robert Louis Stevenson's home, the first United States Customs House, and the first theater in California, where many noted actors appeared before and during the days of the gold-rush. Then there are the famous Seventeen-Mile Drive, Pebble Beach, Carmel, and Carmel Mission where Junipero Serra is buried. The numerous unexcelled golf courses in the neighborhood will appeal to many of our members. Hotel Del Monte, the meeting headquarters, has been well referred to as "the world's best-loved resort."

Several objectives are to be aimed at in a meeting of this kind. The opportunity of meeting colleagues and renewing old friendships is most valuable. Doctors who are acquainted are usually good friends. The solidarity of organized medicine is thus increased. Our health, both physical and mental, must be benefited by even a short period of relaxation from the responsibilities of practice. The consideration of the problems of medical economics and public relations is important.

After all, however, the presentation and discussion of the problems of the strictly scientific side of our profession is probably the most important. Much credit is due the Committee on Scientific Program, and to the writers of papers and their discussants for the preparation of the following program. The Section Officers have done their work well.

Those in charge have done their utmost with the hope that you will spend a most comfortable and enjoyable few days at Del Monte. The attendance should be large.

May all Association members, including those of the Auxiliary and their friends in attendance, have a most profitable and a most enjoyable time!

Cordially yours,

EDWARD M. PALLETTE.